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A two-page report of Soviet military equipment

This report includes a description of an unidentified tank weighing 70-80 tons<sup>1</sup>, and it also lists other Soviet military equipment seen in Budapest during the Hungarian uprising.

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1. Comment: This report is one of a number (see referenced reports) which describe a new Soviet tank in the 70-ton range sighted at various times and locations in Hungary and East Germany. Although in each case the tonnage estimate is too high, it appears quite possible that the vehicle actually sighted was the T-10 heavy tank.

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UNIDENTIFIED SOVIET HEAVY TANK AND IDENTIFIED ITEMS OF  
SOVIET EQUIPMENT OBSERVED IN HUNGARYIntroduction

This report contains [ ] information on an unidentified Soviet heavy tank observed in BUDAPEST between the 10th and 15th of November 1956. [ ]

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[ ] it was larger than the T-54 or the T-34 and had a crew of four or five men. At the time [ ] the tank was heavily guarded by Soviet troops. The report also includes a list of identified Soviet equipment [ ]

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## A. UNIDENTIFIED SOVIET HEAVY TANK

1. Characteristics (Estimated)

Weight	70 to 80 tons
Length	Eight meters
Height (including turret)	Three meters
Width	Three and one-half to four meters
Road Wheels	Six or eight on each side
Track Return Rollers	Three on each side

2. Turret

[ ] the turret was streamlined and similar to the turret of the T-54 tank, except that it was larger and had three hatches, two of them with periscope devices.

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3. Main Armament

[ ] the caliber of the main gun, [ ] appeared to be larger than the gun mounted on the JS-3 tanks. The gun tube was approximately seven meters long and it had a double baffle muzzle brake.

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4. Secondary Armament

[ ] only one machine gun on this tank. It appeared to be a 12-mm or 14-mm AA machine gun and was mounted on the right side of the turret top.

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5. Tank Hull

The tank hull appeared to be very long, wide, and heavily armored. It was streamlined and the curved lines of the turret were even with those of the hull. Both the hull and turret had a very smooth surface.

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6. Driver's Hatch

The driver's hatch was located similar to that of the JS-3 tank, just forward of the turret, in the center of the hull.

7. Suspension System

[redacted] this tank had very wide tracks and [redacted] a track fender skirt covered the upper portion of the tracks. [redacted] not remember the exact number of road wheels but [redacted] they were an even number, either six or eight.

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B. IDENTIFIED SOVIET EQUIPMENT

[redacted]  
identified [redacted] items [redacted] used by Soviet forces during the revolution in Hungary [redacted]

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7.62-mm Submachine Gun, "Kalashnikov" (AK)

7.62-mm Light Machine Gun, RPD

14.5 Heavy AA Machine Gun, (ZP-2 and ZP-4)

160-mm Mortar

100-mm AT Gun, M1955

Rifle Grenade Launcher, Spigot Type

Armored Personnel Carrier, BTR-40

Armored Personnel Carrier, BTR-152

Full-tracked Amphibious Cargo Vehicle

Amphibious Tank, P-76

Truck, 4x4, GAZ-69A

Truck, 4x2, ZIS-150

Truck, 6x6, ZIS-151

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